

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Patricia "Pat" Voss, who is retiring from the Webster Groves School District after a successful career that has spanned an incredible thirty-four years; and

**Whereas**, Pat Voss began her impressive tenure with the Webster Groves School District as a social studies teacher in 1969 and began to take on administrative duties in the absence of school administrators, becoming assistant principal at Webster Groves High School in 1977; and

**Whereas**, a former educator at Rosati-Kain High School, Pat Voss accepted the role of principal at Webster Groves High School in 1994, since which time she has become widely respected for her terrific organizational and analytical skills and her devotion to the best interests of all students; and

**Whereas**, a proud recipient of the 1991 University of Missouri Most Influential Teacher Award, Pat Voss holds a Bachelor's degree in social studies and Master's degree in history from Central Missouri State University, and a Master's degree in educational administration from the University of Missouri-St. Louis; and

**Whereas**, the accomplishment of which Pat Voss is most proud remains the practice of involving students in the decision-making process to hire new teachers and administrators, as well as her efforts to establish a Principal's Advisory Board of students who meet with her on a regular basis to discuss a variety of school-related issues; and

**Whereas**, a remarkable woman who still has contact with many of her former students and is the godmother of eleven children of alumni, Pat Voss has fond memories of her thirty-four years with the Webster Groves School District that include a visit from President Bill Clinton in 1996, choir and band trips, Spring Festival, Turkey Day, and learning the definition of a "line dance"; and

**Whereas**, throughout her long and illustrious career, Pat Voss challenged herself to work with the students uninterested in learning and was overjoyed at their progress, knowing that each year there were those she had helped walk across the stage to accept their diplomas:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Pat Voss for her thirty-four years of unparalleled service to the Webster Groves School District and to the education of the children of the Show-Me State, and in wishing her the long, rewarding, and enjoyable retirement she so richly deserves; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Patricia Voss.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Kathlyn Fares  
District No. 91

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2554, adopted May 6, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker